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TITLE: PRIVACY CONTROL SYSTEM FOR PERSONAL INFORMATION
CARD SYSTEM AND METHOD THEREOF

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the official Notice to file corrected application papers dated June 13, 2001, setting a two-month term to reply. A return copy of the Notice is enclosed. The reason is the drawings contain non-English text, including a flow chart that was not originally in English and has been marked up to include the English text, under 37 CFR 1.84(p)(2) and 37 CFR 1.52(d)(1).

Having reviewed the figures 1-6, the applicant respectfully submits that the alleged informality does not really exist, and would like to explain the possible misunderstanding of the drawings.

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First of all, figures 1A and 1B are system illustrative drawings that are all in English language. Figures 4A, 4B, 5, 6A and 6B are flow charts that are all in English language.

Figure 2A, 2B, and 2C are illustrative samples of the web-cards and screen display. Figs. 2A and 2B are the display of web-card contents, and have most of words in English. Fig. 2A contains four Chinese characters “网络名片” (under Let's card”) for “web-cards” for a display sample only; Fig. 2B contains four Chinese characters “给我写信” (beside “PRIVATE EMAIL”) for “ write me a letter” and “AB型” (beside “BLOOD TYPE”) for “AB type.” These Chinese characters are, by chance, part of the web-card display for illustrative purpose only.

Fig. 2C shows a screen printout of the web cards, that contains various on-screen functional buttons and displayed portions, as denoted respectively with numerals 40-52. All of these indicated features have been described in the specification. Thus, the applicant would like to point out that these characters are for illustrative purpose only. Because the present invention relates to the Chinese language and English language based Internet website operations, it is inevitably to include display of Chinese language text for illustrative purpose only. However, the particular features and the essence of the displayed web-cards of the present invention have been clearly and fully described in the specification in order to assist the understanding of the present invention. Thus, this should satisfy the requirements of drawings under 37 CFR 1.84, and should be permitted.

With respect to figures 3A and 3B, these look like “flow chart” but they are not. These are, in fact, illustration of data searching process of “Chinese names” of an individual (Fig. 3A) and a company (Fig. 3B). The generated search result (Chinese names) must be presented in Chinese language since what the search is intended to be. Otherwise, there is no other way to demonstrate such search result. All of these have been clearly described in English in the specification to assist the understanding

of the present invention. Therefore, such inclusion of Chinese characters should be permissible under 37 CFR 1.84.

In order to facilitate the better understanding of what has been explained, a copy of the drawings, as submitted at filing, is enclosed to have all of the aforesaid Chinese language text highlighted. Accordingly, the applicant respectfully submits that the drawings of records should meet the requirements under 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.52. Therefore, the application documents as originally submitted are in compliance with all of the documentation requirements for filing a non-provisional application. The examiner's reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

Filing Date Granted

This application has been accorded an Application Number and Filing Date. The application, however, is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing figures contain text that is not in English (including, for example, a flow chart that was originally not in English that has been marked up to include the English text) see 37 CFR 1.84(p)(2) and 37 CFR 1.52(d)(1);

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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